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5 **Patent Application**

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Title: Method and Apparatus for Backwards Compatible Communication in a Multiple  
Input Multiple Output Communication System with Lower Order Receivers

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20 AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION  
UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Sir:

30 In response to the outstanding final Office Action, dated January 22, 2009, please  
amend the above-identified patent application as follows.